

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

Application No.

09/858,268

Applicant(s)

ETHEN ET AL.

Examiner

Khanh B. Pham

Art Unit

2166

All Participants:

(1) Khanh B. Pham.

(2) Mr. LeRoy Maunu, Applicant's representative.

Status of Application: RCE

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Date of Interview: 16 May 2006

Time: 1pm

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

None

Claims discussed:

10, 12, 17-20

Prior art documents discussed:

Nishigaya et al. (US 2001/0010056 A1)

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.



(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The examiner suggests canceling claims 17-20 to place the application in condition for allowance because they do not recite all limitations of allowable claims 1, 13-14. The examiner also proposes an amendment to claims 10, 12 to remove redundant limitations. Applicant's representative agrees with the examiner's suggestions and authorizes an Examiner's amendment.